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To: Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs\*  
Director, Fish and Wildlife Service  
Director, Geological Survey  
Director, Minerals Management Service

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management  
Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance {Lead}

Subject: Review of Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR) for Fisheries of the  
United States; Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)  
(**ER03/1015**)(Agency due date: January 26, 2004)

The National Marine Fisheries Service has published the subject ANPR to consider revising the EFH guidelines in the Federal Register dated December 11, 2003. You may access the ANPR on the Internet at: [http://www.access.gpo.gov/su\\_docs/fedreg/frcont03.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fedreg/frcont03.html).

Please review the proposed rulemaking from your particular jurisdiction or special expertise and provide your comments to this Office by January 9, 2004.

This Office will prepare the Department's comments by January 20, 2004.

Please supply all signed paper comments, comments on disk, or comments being submitted electronically to this Office.

Related reviews are under ER 97/257 (Proposed Rule); and ER 98/13 (Interim Final Rule).

/s/ 12/11/03

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